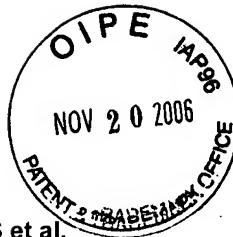


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REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION
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Sir:

Patentees hereby submit and respectfully request entry of the enclosed Certificate of Correction under 37 C.F.R. §1.322 for Patent No. US 7,104,892 B2 issued September 12, 2006 because a cited reference was mistakenly omitted from the title page of the patent and there is a typographical error in the priority data in the specification.

Applicants cited U.S. patent document 4,804,352 in a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement dated July 21, 2005. That reference was omitted from the title page of the issued patent. Therefore, on the title page, in paragraph

(56) References Cited

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-- 4,804,352 2/1989 Schmidt 464/17 --.

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Applicants submitted the German priority registration and a verified English translation of the priority document on July 16, 2003 and on October 27, 2003. The priority data was confirmed on an Updated Filing Receipt mailed on November 19, 2003 and appears correctly on the title page of the patent. The incorrect priority date is listed on line 4 of column 1 of the specification. The priority data in lines 3 to 5 of column 1 of the specification should read as follows, with the correction indicated in bold:

-- Priority is claimed to German Patent Application No. DE 102 32 286.4, filed on 16 Jul. **2002**, the subject matter of which is hereby incorporated by reference herein. --

Both errors are believed to be the fault of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and not the Applicants. Accordingly, no fee is believed due. If any fees are deemed due in connection with this request, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0552.

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent
are hereby corrected as shown below:

On the title page, insert the following reference in paragraph
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Column 1, line 3, cancel the text beginning with "Priority is claimed" to and ending "by reference herein." in column
1, line 5, and insert the following priority data:

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